

PATENT APPLICATION  
IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants : Charles E. Hart, Debra G. Gilbertson  
Serial No. : 10/664,432  
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For : METHODS FOR PROMOTING GROWTH OF BONE, LIGAMENT AND  
CARTILAGE  
Confirmation No. : 5728

Examiner : Jiang, Dong  
Art Unit : 1646  
Docket No. : 00-12D1  
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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL

Sir:

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR 1.114 of the above-identified application.

Submission required under 37 CFR 1.114

Previously submitted:  
 Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 CFR 1.116 previously filed on \_\_\_\_.  
(Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered).  
 Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on \_\_\_\_.  
 Other: \_\_\_\_

Enclosed:

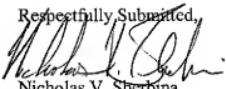
Amendment/Reply  
 Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)       Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)  
 Other: \_\_\_\_

Miscellaneous

Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 CFR 1.103(c) for a period of  
\_\_\_\_ months.  
 Other: \_\_\_\_

Fees

The following fees will be paid on-line via the USPTO EFS:  
 RCE fee required under 37 CFR 1.17(e), estimated to be \$405.00/810.00  
 Extension of time fee, estimated to be \_\_\_\_  
 Other: \_\_\_\_

Respectfully Submitted,  
  
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